

TITLE V INDICATOR TEMPLATE

INDICATOR: Fertility Rate Among Girls

DEFINITION: The number of live births per 1,000 adolescent females by age at delivery (less than 15 years of age, 15 to 17 years of age, 18 to 19 years of age)

NUMERATOR: The total number of live births among adolescent females, by age group (less than 15, 15 to 17, 18 to 19), by place of residence, in a calendar year

DENOMINATOR: The total number of adolescent females by age group (less than 15, 15 to 17, 18 to 19), by place of residence, in a calendar year

HEALTHY PEOPLE 2010 OBJECTIVE:

Reduce pregnancies among adolescent females to no more than 43 pregnancies per 1,000 adolescents. (Baseline: 68 pregnancies per 1,000 females aged 15 to 17 years in 1996) (Objective 9-7)

RISK FACTORS:

Low income; low maternal education level; race/ethnicity (African American, Hispanic); lack of effective contraceptive use/family planning practices; lack of education/counseling regarding contraceptive use/family planning; previous teen pregnancy; initiation of sexual activity at a young age

Births to adolescent females less than 15 years of age

Year	California				LA County			
	Number	Rate	95% Confidence Interval		Number	Rate	95% Confidence Interval	
			Lower	Upper			Lower	Upper
1993	1,572	1.4	1.4	1.5	550	1.7	1.6	1.9
1994	1,687	1.5	1.4	1.6	544	1.7	1.6	1.8
1995	1,640	1.5	1.4	1.5	550	1.7	1.6	1.9
1996	1,485	1.3	1.2	1.4	477	1.5	1.4	1.6
1997	1,256	1.1	1.0	1.1	408	1.3	1.1	1.4
1998	1,066	0.9	0.8	1.0	337	1.0	0.9	1.1
1999	1,037	0.9	0.8	0.9	323	0.9	0.8	1.0
2000	895	0.7	0.7	0.8	274	0.8	0.7	0.9
2001	810	0.6	0.6	0.7	269	0.7	0.6	0.8
2002	743	0.6	0.5	0.6	248	0.6	0.6	0.7

Denominator: Females < 15 (i.e. 10 - 14)		
Year	California	LA County
1993	1,096,891	316,565
1994	1,118,024	319,727
1995	1,130,754	320,362
1996	1,143,744	321,119
1997	1,165,175	325,188
1998	1,187,183	331,434
1999	1,219,471	341,591
2000	1,265,233	357,376
2001	1,312,244	372,397
2002	1,349,917	386,073

Note: This indicator addresses live births as opposed to pregnancies. Prior to 2000, "Fertility Rate among teen girls" was labeled as "Teen Birth Rate".

Source: California Department of Health Services, Center for Health Statistics, Vital Statistics, 1993-2002.

Denominator data: California Department of Finance, "Race/Ethnic Population with Age and Sex Detail, 1970-2050," Sacramento, California, May 2004.